

The Case of Private Groat

ON the battle field of Seven Pines, near Richmond, Va., is a government cemetery where in are buried the bodies of Union soldiers exhausted since that bloody contest. One Memorial day some years ago an officer in charge of a detachment of United States regulars went up from Fort Monroe to place flowers over the dead in this cemetery. While they are standing before a grave, let us go back to a certain day in 1862 when the Army of the Potomac was at Yorktown.

One morning a general on a tour of inspection stopped at a short ridded house in which a man was confined under sentence of death.

"What are you here for my man?" asked the general.

"Desertion."

"Have you been tried?"

"Yes, general, and sentenced. I'm to be shot on the —th. I don't mind bein' shot, so long I'm not to be hanged. I've see the pictur' pinned to the wall, general," pointing to a card photograph of a boy about two years old. "Well, that's my son Billy. I've always wanted the little chap, when he's grow'd up, to be a sojer. I consider solarin' the nobles' perfumery on the earth. I know it'll be a backsit in the service to Billy, bearin' the same name's his father—shot for desertion—but that can't nowis be helped. Leastways he won't be disgraced by his father's havin' been hanged."

"You talk like a good soldier," said the general. "Why did you desert?"

"Well, ye see, general, Billy was sick and ye wouldn't let me go home. I was afraid he would die callin' on his pop and me pop there to cuddle him up in his arms. Ye see, general, Billy has always been used to goin' to sleep on his pop's shoulder. So I just went home for awhile till I found he wasn't goin' to die nabol; then I come back."

The next day the command was moved forward and at evening a young aid-de-camp rode up to the field in which Private Groat was held and said to the officer of the guard:

"The general wants to know whether the enemy is occupying that wood over



A BULLET PIERCED HIS HEAD.
there. Take your men, go in and find out. I'll take care of your prisoner while you are gone."

The guard marched away, and as soon as the aid was alone with Private Groat he said to him:

"Light out."

When Groat understood that he was free to go, he said:

"Couldn't do that honorable. Besides, if they'd fetch me, next time they'd like enough hang me, and the disgrace restin' on my Billy'd be terrible."

"Well, then," said the aid impatiently, "you'll have to be shot. President Lincoln alone can pardon you."

Groat scratched his head thoughtfully, then suddenly took to his heels.

A few weeks later the general who had counseled at Private Groat's escape was superintending the hurried throwing up of an earthwork in his front at a point where seven pine trees grew together when Private Groat stepped up to him and, saluting, stood at attention. An astonished, troubled look crossed the general's face.

"I thought you had escaped," he said.

"I did."

"Well, now that you have returned, it is my duty to order you shot."

"I have been to the president," said Groat. "He give me out that I'm the general a slip of paper. It was a pardon written in President Lincoln's handwriting and signed by him.

The whirl of battle came on and the general dashed away. Private Groat fell in with a battery behind the breastwork, and when every man at his gun was shot down worked the piece alone; but only for a moment, for a bullet pierced his brain and a storm cloud of gray passed over his dead body.

When the army came to a rest after that campaign, the following order was issued:

Special Order No. 10: Private William Groat, —th regiment —— vol., killed in battle, having been pardoned by the president, is hereby released from arrest and restored to duty.

(2) Honorable mention is hereby made of Private William Groat, —th regiment —— vol., gunner, and his services rendered in working a deserted gun at which he remained to meet certain death.

Let us now return to the party of United States regulars standing before a grave in the government cemetery. The officer in command, approaching the headstone, read the name:

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WEATHER FORECAST

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A CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE

A protest against making any appropriation to the Carnegie Free Library for maintenance was again presented to the Town Council last night.

The petitioners are a continuous performance chorus of the comic opera variety. They presented their petition in April. It was read with some solemnity and promptly disappeared from view in the capacious pocket of the President of the Council. Later it was in circulation again and after some six weeks or more of industrious effort it appears for second reading. Another reading it should under parliamentary rules come up for final passage.

When first presented the petition contained 48 names, it now contains 127. Some are names of prominent citizens with more wealth than public spirit to whom the public enlightenment means less than the rate of taxation, others are men of mean estate or utter ignorance who do not read books themselves and have a deep rooted prejudice against others doing so.

The petition speaks of the library as "so-called Free." It is called free because it is actually free to every person who desires to use it.

Further along it is charged that the building of the Library was accomplished through collusion of a former Council and School Board without submitting it to a Vote of the People. The "collusion" spoken of was more properly speaking cooperation between the town's municipal authority to secure the boon of a public library free of cost save that of maintenance. If that be collusion these propagandists were guilty of it and they are willing to borrow the language of the immortal Patrick Henry that the petitioners shall "make the most of it."

The proposition was not submitted to a vote of the people for the reason that it was not thought necessary. The Town Council and the School Board year after year spend large sums of money without submission to the people or sought of them. The law expressly states that they have the power without a vote of the people to make such appropriations as they agreed to make.

The protest against misappropriation of the funds of the borough is little short of gratuitous insult. The law authorizes library appropriations and the making of them is no misappropriation. What then do the petitioners mean? If they do not mean to insinuate that the Town Council is a pack of scoundrels they ought to be more careful in their choice of terms. A line of reading in the library might improve the English of the credulous who designed this fulmination against the dissemination of knowledge.

NOT TOO LATE TO MEND

The failure of the School Board to levy a tax for the maintenance of the Free Library is hard to understand says the News. "Two or three Library Trustees are also members of the School Board yet the Library maintenance question was not brought up in the tax levy discussion. We regret that this educational body should be so shortsighted as not to comprehend the great value of a Free Library to our young people. The institution is here equipped for the education of the townspeople and we won't believe that the taxpayers are opposed to its maintenance. The school levies 10 mills yet the board refuses to set aside one mill for the Library so closely allied with and so necessary to the best interests of our public school system. Nearly all the large taxpayers of the town favor the Library. Who are opposed to it?"

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have thereby definitely determined and finally decided to repudiate the policy of their predecessors and make no contributions toward the maintenance of the Library and it probably justifies our esteemed contemporary's outburst of indignation but it does not necessarily follow that they cannot or why not make such contributions.

The law does not require a specific tax but states that Town Councils may make a appropriation or if negotiations are made in a lot of the establishment or maintenance of both of free public libraries and that School Boards may extend aid for like purpose and in either case the appropriation or tax shall not exceed one-half of the assessed valuation of the borough. A tax levy is mentioned in one of the early acts but nowhere is it made compulsory.

It is not too late for the Town Council and the School Board to do their duty toward the Library. While the pump holds out to burn the vestal smock may return.

Professor Wiley has a speech. School Boards may come and they may be but the steadfast Professor holds forever.

The News with its usual modest unblushingly acknowledges that through its unaided and unassisted efforts in the capacious pocket of the President of the Council. Later it was in circulation again and after some six weeks or more of industrious effort it appears for second reading. Another reading it should under parliamentary rules come up for final passage.

We have the usual number of candidates or the hangers-on need waiting to be voted for at this session of council.

When the railroads join with the coal operators and spculators in buying up the coal lands of West Virginia its small wonder the market is lively and the stuff moves quickly.

Daddy Kerfoot led the strenuous life and died in the harness. His victim in he was ill fought his enemies valiantly and loved his friend faithfully. He will be sincerely mourned by both. As he walked the Way of Life so may he tread the Path that leads to the Light Beyond.

June comes in as pleasant as June leaves.

The fire department is taking an active interest in itself and that means that it is taking an interest in its business.

The First Baptist Church will long remain one of Connellsville's architectural monuments, but like the Carnegie Free Library it is more or less obscured by the Hogg bump. The Baptists and everybody else with common sense and public spirit unite in their Down with the bump!

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McKeesport's Great Expectations

From the McKeesport News. From a reliable source it is learned that Mr. Schwab will donate to the city of McKeesport an industrial school in size and in portance it is equal if not superior of that erected and equipped at Homestead by the steel corporation magnate. McKeesport will certainly appreciate the gift and stands ready to do whatever Mr. Schwab might consider the municipality share in providing a site for the institution.

Special Coal Trains

Beginning Monday four trains from Westmoreland county will for the exclusive use of the engines of the Pittsburgh Division of the Pennsylvania railroad will run from Greensburg to Altoona. The trains will run on a special schedule and will be among the fastest on the division. Previously all of the coal trains that were run from near Greensburg to Altoona were made up at Youngwood. Two of the coal trains will be added at the mines of the Keystone Coal & Coke Company one by the Jamison Coal & Coke Company and one at the works of the Superior Coal & Coke Company.

Missionary Society Meeting

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church met at A. J. Francis home on East Apple street Tuesday evening. After a short business meeting a general good time was had. Each person present was provided with a needle and thread and the men were given washings to hem while the ladies did the same work for the benefit of the mission fund. A luncheon was served to all.

New Haven News Notes

Miss May Cochran is in town visiting friends.

Miss Clara Sloan has gone to West Newton for a week's visit.

W. H. Kennard station agent for the P. R. R. is in Baltimore attending his brother's wedding.

Laufer Family Reunion

The Laufer family will hold a reunion July 4 at the home of Deputy County Controller Henry G. Laufer in Penn township, Westmoreland county.

RIVALRY FOR COAL.

Big Railroads Buying Extents vs Trac s in West Virginia.—Central is practically all of the territory in the Fairmont district, located between the Monongahela and the Baltimore & Ohio railroads and one-half of the area is and most likely the property of the B & O. The Central system is expected to result soon. It is now developed that C. & O. once did, did great credit to 7,000 acres of Fairmont coal to the value of \$100,000 to the White Sulphur and that the B & O. gained control of the big part of the Gulf system still remaining to the south.

The struggle of each of the railroads to gain complete control of the West Branch to prevent the invasion of the other, the Gulf Valley Manufacturer says. The Gulf has reached out to the Fairmont Coal Company, but the citizens of the B & O. and Ohio have been suspicious of the aggressive work of the West Virginia Central syndicate in that section and nobbled the control and since recently merged it with the Connellsville Coal Company held in a Connellsville district.

This is the Baltim. & Ohio and the Gulf system are nearly garrisoned in rich coal fields reached by each. The Gulf system is one of the largest and finest virgin fields of coal in West Virginia. It lies about five or ten miles west of Fairmont or the Baltimore & Ohio field and was largely in the property of the Littleton system. It has very eight feet in depth and can't be shafted from 200 to 300 feet below the surface. It is of the Pittsburg quality and is the greater of much use for it is the result of the mining of the Gulf coal within the coalfield so that it is a ton of coal produced by the Littleton coal company at Beckley, N. W. is inferior to the Pittsburg and is inferior to the Littleton.

MARTICCO WANTED NO. 8.

Italian Sued for Theft, Claimed He Wanted Bigger Shoes.

Or an information made by Levi Bres, West Main street, editor of an Italian newspaper, was arrested and charged with robbing a pawn shop in the early morning of June 6, 1903, and was released on bail of \$1,000.

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RUSH AT HOSPITAL

Six Patients Have Been Received in Twenty Four Hours.

Six patients have been received at the Conemaugh State Hospital during the past 24 hours, two of them so badly injured that they died soon after reaching the hospital. Frank Martin, 21, was struck in a train at Lehigh, Pa., and died Saturday morning. John Quigley, aged 27 years, of Mt. Bradford, was struck by a train and had his back injured. Sturgis Steele, an employee of Clements & Co. at Indian Creek, has his legs badly severed.

William McKenna was brought to the hospital early this morning in a badly smashed up condition. Nothing is known of him by the hospital authorities further than that he was brought to Connellsville on a B. & O. train. Eddie Gallagher of Vandergrift fell from an apple tree resulting in a fracture of the arm and is present in a serious condition.

Sunday Excursions

The first Sunday excursion to Pittsburgh will be run by the B. & O. railroad on Sunday June 7. Special train will leave Connellsville at 8:30 A. M. Fare \$1 round trip.

Excursions to Ohio will be run every Sunday during the summer season at 50 cents for the round trip from Connellsville and \$1 from Pittsburgh.

Bought Manufacturing Site

Pittsburgh capitalists have purchased from M. N. Clark of near Claridge, Westmoreland county his big farm of which they will take immediate possession. The farm has a frontage of 2,500 feet along the Manor Valley railroad and is underlaid with coal and may be made the site of a manufacturing plant.

Jumped the Track

Engine No. 2238 while coming down this morning from the roundhouse to take coal at the new tipple jumped the track and delayed business for about two hours. With the assistance of engine No. 228 they got it on the track again.

Prizes of \$4,000

At a meeting of the Greensburg Dragoons Club it was decided to award \$4,000 in prizes at the big race meet there August 12 to 14.

\$200,000 in Improvements

The Eleanor Iron & Steel Company's plant at Irwin will be enlarged by putting in an open hearth unit at a cost of about \$200,000.

RESOLUTOR

to citizens in having the fine committee of the Town Council of the Borough of Connellsville to make their report of the number and kind of ice and borrough.

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KISHINEFF HORRORS.

A Refugee's Grewsome Story of the Massacre.

FRIGHTFUL SCENES WITNESSED.

Sacher Ackermann, Who Was Saved With His Family by a German Friend Who Hid Them in a Chimney, Describes Sufferings Worse Than Death That Were Endured by the Victims.

Among the Hebrews who landed the other morning at New York from the steamer Ryndam was Sacher Ackermann, aged forty years old, entered on the passenger list as a resident of Daubrowitz, Bessarabia, but who, according to his declaration, is actually a wine dealer of Kishineff and one of the first who were in Kishineff at the time of the recent massacres to reach these shores, says the New York Tribune.

Seated with his wife and baby, who came over with him, in a relative's house in New York, Ackermann gave, through an interpreter, the following grawsome account of the horrors of the massacre, from which, according to his statement, he owed his own exemption and that of his family to the kindness of a gentle friend who gave them sanctuary in his chimney.

"I cannot begin to tell the horrors of the three days that followed the Passover at Kishineff," said Ackermann, "for to me and to my family it was the more terrible because we did not see, but only heard."

"The feasts of the Passover were over. I had done a good business, although selling liquor was a government monopoly and the punishment would have been severe. I was burying along the street about 3 o'clock with my wife and baby, hoping to get to Daubrowitz before it was very light. Suddenly I heard from a nearby street the cry of the Jews and the shouting of a mob of men. All day before the children of Christians had been stoning the Jews in the ghetto and the sense of trouble brewing had been in me."

"My wife and I stood and consulted, while the noise of the mob around the corner grew louder. The door of the house in front of which we stood opened. A young man came out fully dressed. In the light of a torch in his hand I recognized him; he was the son of a Christian friend. He ran at us, but before he could do us harm his father, an old man, came to the door and, recognizing me, rescued us. He brought us into the front room of the house. The Russian home has but two rooms, one in front and one behind it.

"In the front room was a large fireplace as wide as a man is long. There was no fire in the hearth. The old man bade us crawl up into the chimney and stay there until he told us it would be safe for us to come down. Meanwhile the cries on the street became greater and more fearful.

"We shivered as we heard the brutes festing over befoiling women and young girls. We heard the maddened screams of men and recognized the voices as those of the husbands whose wives were in the hands of the fiends. And both wives and husbands pleaded for death as a boon."

"Some whispered that sixteen girls between fourteen and sixteen years old were dying from the excesses of the mob, committed amid bowls of drunken glee before the eyes of the parents before the parents were torn to pieces.

"Then one man told of a butcher. He was the strong man of the Jews of Kishineff. The mob burst into his place. He had a revolver. Six of the mob fell dead on the threshold; then he flung the weapon into the mob and picked up a cleaver. But the mob overpowered him. His wife, who was cowering behind him, they drew into the street and, holding the man, they tore the clothes from the woman and ravished her. Some one searching the man's house found his twelve year old child in the cellar. She, too, they brought before the father and half dead mother and misused her. By this time the butcher was foaming at the mouth and struggled with the ten men who held him."

"One of the mob stuck a knife into the man's stomach, and in a moment he was disembowled. Then they stripped him and mutilated his body until it could not be recognized. Before his wife's eyes they hung him on one of the meat hooks in front of his own shop. They then killed his wife by beating her to death and left the child dead on the bloody street.

"It was the same with the hundreds of every Jew who sought shelter in Christian houses. As soon as the refugees were stowed away the Christians hurried away to houses of the refugees. After the soldiers came on the third day I went out into the street. It seemed a different place. I counted up to 162 bodies of men, women and children, most of them mutilated hideously, almost unrecognizable. Eighty of them were hastily buried, but they were exhumed and photographed for evidence a day later."

Bare Dining Tables the Vogue.

The fashion of the bare dining room table is revived, the highly polished surface being relieved by doilies and centerpieces. These may be as elaborate as one desires, made with fine linen centers and exquisite lace edges. Just at present basket work is such a favorite pastime that many women are weaving sets of plate doilies. These are round in shape and woven of grasses. They can be made of corn husks, but the grasses make the prettier ones.

SONGSTERS IN DANGER.

Robins and Bluebirds Doomed to Extermination by Foreigners.

The robin red breast and the bluebird are doomed to extermination unless some stringent measures are taken for their preservation, says the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Press. This is the opinion of the ornithologists of the department of agriculture. These favorite song birds make their winter home in the gulf states, and a changed condition brought about by the development of industries in that section, threatens their destruction. The substitution of Italians and southern Europeans for negroes in the labor fields in Louisiana, Mississippi and other gulf states has driven the negro out and doing so has let in the enemy of the small birds. It is reported that these foreigners wage relentless war upon the robin, bluebird and other migratory birds that winter in the south, killing them for food. The negro would not touch them, as with most of the colored people of the south the song bird is sacred.

An ornithologist of the department in discussing the matter the other day said: "About all the migratory birds in the United States and parts of Canada are in the cold weather mated in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. They are there in myriads. The population in these states is increasing rapidly and unfortunately is that makes no distinction among the birds. The slaughter is awful. When thousands upon thousands of one species of birds are killed here it is safe to say this species is doomed. This seems to be what has happened to the sociable songster of the farmyard and orchard, the robin and even the bluebird is being shot off the face of the earth. Until the states get together and adopt uniform protective laws there will be no hope for the preservation of these birds."

NEW HOUSE CLEANER,

It Sucks Up the Dirt From the Floor and Walls.

Advices received at the state department in Washington from Consul Martin, at Nottingham, England, are to the effect that a new house cleaning device is being exhibited in that city.

The apparatus consists of a machine composed of a two to four horse power motor (oil or electric) and an air pump, serving to maintain an "exhaust" of several pounds to the square inch. The machine can be carried on wheels or made stationary. To it is attached after the dust receptacle—a tightly closed metallic vessel with a capacity of a peck or more.

A one and one-half inch rubber hose, which may be of any desired length up to 700 feet, is attached to the filter. At the end of the hose is a "cleaner" or "renovator," which is a tube flattened at the end into a kind of long slit. By rubbing this over the carpet or up and down the cloth covering of settees or chairs it not only sucks the dust from the surface, but also from underneath. Walls may also be cleaned of dust, the cleaner being a brush of horseshoe shape. No dust is raised in a room, and it can be operated by inexperienced men. These machines are at present being leased and in no case sold.

SOAP FOR THE HEATHEN.

Baptist Worker Wants Tons of It and Will Pay the Freight.

According to statements made to delegates to the Baptist American Missionary Union recently in convention at Buffalo, soap is the crying need of the Chin Hills district of Burma.

"We need soap," said the Rev. E. H. East, a medical missionary of this district. "We can use tons of it. The people are disease ridden mainly because they never wash. I have washed the naked children and the hands and faces of the women. The women were astonished when they saw their children and themselves had pale complexions after washing. If some one will donate several tons of soap and the union will not pay the freight I will pay it myself. We need soap more than anything else."

A New Disease.

A peculiar disease that resembles grip is epidemic at Riverhead, N. Y., says the New York Herald. It made its appearance a few weeks ago, and since then there have been more than a hundred cases reported. One of those who recently recovered from the malady, in describing its effects, said: "It is something like seasickness. The first day you're afraid you'll die; the second you're afraid you won't; the third day you feel a little better, and the fourth day you begin to take an interest in your meals."

LARGE GAME PRESERVE.

Senator Spooner of Wisconsin has bought on private terms the great Blauchard estate, which includes practically the whole town of Pittsburg, the most northern town of New Hampshire, which, it is understood, he will turn into a game preserve. Much of the property is in its natural state and is ideally located for preserve purposes, and added value comes from its inaccessibility, practically absolute privacy being there assured.

Clerks Must Be Neat.

"Speak softly over the telephone and wear your coat in the office." "Shave at least every other day." "A man who dresses neatly is a neat worker."

These are rules adopted by the leading business men of Chicago, says the New York World. The edict of the board of trade, which is in effect is against men in the building and on change appearing in their shirt sleeves, has proved effective.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Granted at the County Capital During the Week.

Mull Springer of Beaver Falls and Ida Lena Crow of New Salem.

Lewis Elliott Johnson of West Brownsville and Myrtle Wood Dryman of Jefferson township.

Anthony Gilmore and Ida May Wagner, both of Dunham.

Allen Husted and Maria Martin, both of Dunham.

Julie J. Husted of Uniontown and Lizzie E. Cope of High House.

Gerrit S. Hall of Springfield and Susanna Burkholder of Salpeter.

James H. Lear of Wick Haven and Annie Alsop of Banning.

Jacob Richardson and Eliza Gordon both of Monaca.

John McElfat and Lizzie Vesper, both of Adelaid.

James Greer Rebb and Adelaide Irene Hughes, both of Connellsville township.

Albert S. Schroyer and Daisy V. Rutter, both of Smicks.

W. Grove Singer of Lancaster and Lucy Cole of Fayette county.

Thomas Lewis and Olive Lee Porter, both of Connellsville township.

W. A. Keller of Pittsburgh and Rebecca J. Thompson of Evanson.

George L. Applegate and Anna F. Sleeks, both of Monongahela City.

Henry J. Wolf of Scottsdale and Gertrude P. Helfrich of Greensburg.

George A. Houghton and Elizabeth M. Mullin, both of New Haven.

Amos B. Glick of Tiffin, Ohio, and Phoebe M. Brown of Uniontown.

Henry F. Wilkinson of Belle Vernon and Ella Hixenbaugh of Roscoe.

John L. Golde of Braddock, W. Va., and Emma Wilson of Oliphant.

Marcellus Murray and Bertha Clark, both of Wooddale.

John C. Gibbons of New Haven and Annie Rich of Fayette county.

Letters of Administration.

In the estate of Edward L. Adams, late of Connellsville, letters of administration were granted Tuesday to Attorney David W. McDonald. Approved bond was given in the sum of \$2,000.

MOUNTAIN LAKE PARK.

The Superb Summer Resort on Line of Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

This superb summer resort, in the heights of the Alleghenies, 2,800 feet above the sea level, is an attractive place for persons desiring to healthily combine recreation, rest and invigorating spirit. It was last year visited by 25,000 persons, representing 20 States after the dust receptacle—a tightly closed metallic vessel with a capacity of a peck or more.

The Chautauqua program, under the direction of Dr. W. L. Davidson, is one of the best that guides can devise to money procure.

Beginning May 1, tickets to this resort will be placed on sale and continued through the season, good for return until October 31. Special rate tickets for the Camp Meeting in July and the Chautauqua in August will be sold.

For particular information about rates and time of runs, apply to ticket agents of the B. & O. railroad.

Information about attractions at Mountain Lake Park furnished in reply to inquiries addressed to Mr. L. A. Rudisill, Mountain Lake Park, Md.

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Just at present basket work is such a

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CHAPTER XVI

(Continued)

Pole pulled at the cigar, thrust it well into the corner of his mouth with the fire end smoking very near his left eye and looked thoughtful. To tell you the truth my friend he said I really believe you be wishing time to go over that.

Oh you think so It was a vocal start on the part of Wilson.

Yes sir the truth is old man Bishop has simply tucked into his dear clutch ever since he number out that away now at you went east over either side of the mountains you might pick out some good timber but as I said old man Bishop's got it all in a bag out our way Sawmill?

No I don't think a sawmill said Wilson with an execrable sparkle in his eye I sometimes buy timber lands for a speculation that's all.

Pole laugher. I didn't see how you could be a woodsmen in an smoke cigars like this en worn them clothes I never knew a woodsmen man to make any money.

I suppose this Mr Bishop is trying to sell again said Wilson tentatively People gaud they have some such idea when they put money into such prop- erty

Pole looked wise and thoughtful I don't know whether he is or not he said but my opinion is that he'll hold on to it till he's in the ground He's deathly thinks a good times comin' That was a fact he out that other day with money to throw at us It's been time to honeste the old man into a trap but I don't think he's a deal with me

Where was the man from Wilson coolly

I don't really know but he isn't a goin to give up he told Neil I made at his eye that he was going home to see his company an write the old man a proposition that'd fetch him that w's any trade he had

Wilson pulled out his watch "Do you happen to know where Mr Rayburn Miller's law office is?" he asked

"Yes it's right round the corner I know what all the white men in this town do business in here is white is they make em an as straight as a shingle

He's an acquaintance of mine said Wilson I thought I'd run in and see him before I leave

It's right round the corner an down the first side street toward the court house I didn't notice to do I'll print it out

Thank you said Wilson and they went out of the house and down the street together Pole pulling the string of his cigar in the brick litter

There are said Pole pointing to Wilson's car Good day sir we objected for this smoke and with his head in the air Pole walked past the office without looking in

Good morning exulted Miller as Wilson entered You are not an early riser like we are here in the country He introduced Wilson all round and then gave him a chafe near his test and fuming him rather than the others

This is the gentleman who owns the property I believe said Wilson surprised as he indicated Pole

Miller nodded with a sort of cunning drawn in his eye

Yes I have just been explamin to Mr and Mrs Bishop that the mere signing of a paper such as will be necessary to secure the loan will not be them at all in the handling of their property You know how cautious old people are now days in regard to legal matters Now when the son understand the matter thorou-

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Well that's all I believe said Wilson and Miller drew a blank sheet of paper to him and began to write If it's from the paper were bound and Miller carefully bound Wilson's crisp pink check on a New York bill to Mr Bishop

Then you're Mr Bishop he said with a smile You didn't want me to use it in the beginning in that paper of yours over there but you did I say and I'll tell you it's a fat deal that a man has to spend cash down will be better off than you can do with that fund It takes money out of it to the money and Mr Bishop so you can't even trust he'll be more than you care

That's a fact said Wilson in tone that betrayed self gratification Now we must all pull together for the ahead He rose and turned to Miller Well you come with me to receive the paper

Certainly said Miller and they both left together

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We've got his money Alan told her with a glad soul and a faint change for a crease

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Miller brought up the subject again with easy audacious I mentioned your proposition to my clients—the proposition that they allow you the refusal of the land at one hundred thousand and they have full control round to it As I told them they could not possibly number them like us easily and for a good price that's a company regularly in the business I may have been wrong in giving such advice but it was the way I felt about it

Without a flinch it was trapped in another trap dug by Miller's mind in the mud but I don't think he made a deal with me

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Miller's indifference was surprising For what length of time do you want the refusal of the project at that rate he asked almost in a tone of contempt

Wilson hung fire his brow wrinkled thoughtfully

It is decided positively he got out finally whether we can get a charter and a right of way to the property

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It's entirely too indefinite to suit my clients said the lawyer Do you suppose Mr Wilson that they want to hang their property up on a hill of like? Why if you didn't attend to position your road through—will they would simply be in your hands the Ford only knows how long

But we intend to do all we can to show it through said Wilson with a flush

You know that is not a business-like proposition Mr Wilson said Miller with a cold smile What it amounts to an option without any limit at all

"On I don't know if I will namely Mr Bishop will be at rest just is we're in getting a right of way through In fact it would insure us of his help We can't afford it The citizens through whose property the road runs must be persuaded to contribute the land for the purpose and Mr Bishop of course has influence up there with his new friends

Still he would be very lenient said Miller to option his property without any limit Now he's right we are a little bit to do As long as you hold Mr Bishop's note for \$2,000 paid you shall have the refusal of the land at \$100,000 Now this my advice—Mr Bishop was in the store clothes I don't like that one bit on I'll take a card to say so

Wilson receded for moment and then he said All right Let that go The oil condition is this—my oil need be oil a lot of iron ore—that nothing be said about my company's rights this is not our sole using the refusal of the property

That will suit us said Miller Mr Bishop doesn't care to lay the public know his business Of course the iron ore will have to be recorded it in courthouse but that need not be at present I don't think Mr Bishop went to Miller in a half confident I am These people are the worst go up you ever saw If you meet any of them they will tell you that Mr Bishop is bustle himself was open by us so much trouble and that John Wilson him is solid as the land of England The people don't understand his deals as and they're trying to take it out on him by blighting his reputation for be

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I'll go over to Crisfield to do it he said to Alan I'll take a drive to collect title I let you check it right now for any reason

I'll try to get him to meet me in the post office suggested Alan

Find me in the post office to do that

I thought you might pay a visit to him in the firm that he's in this town you're still here for him to do that

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